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<u>Prior Foreign Application(s)</u>			<u>Priority Claimed</u>	
<u>00124197.5</u>	<u>EPO</u>	<u>8 November 2000</u>	<u>X</u>	
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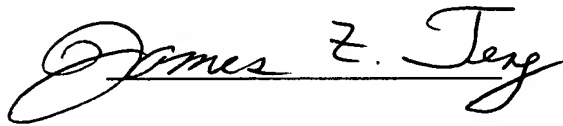
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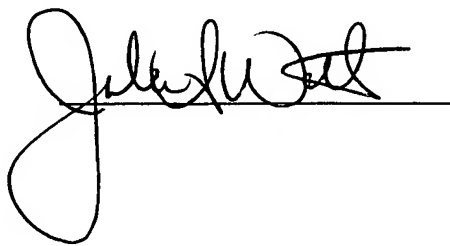
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